

EXPRESS CAR
BLOWN UPWestern Bandits Secured
Big Booty.

MESSENGER WAS KILLED

He Refused to Unlock the Safe and the
Robbers Blew Up the Car With
Dynamite.

Redding, Cal., April 1.—The Oregon express of the Southern Pacific railroad, south bound, was held up last night at Copely, near Keswick, by three masked men. The express messenger, W. Jones, was killed after refusing to open the safe. Dynamite was then used and the car was destroyed. It is not known how much booty the robbers secured.

MANY PERSONS KILLED.

Explosion at Prieburg, Pa., Followed by Fire.

Seranton, Pa., April 1.—Seven persons are known to have been killed, five fatally injured by an explosion in the factory of the Dickson Smith company, at Prieburg near here yesterday.

Twenty girls were employed in the factory. It is said that one of the girls threw a squib into a stove and that the force of the explosion was so great that it wrecked the building and set it on fire. The squibs are used in coal mining.

The Dickson Smith company occupied only the first floor of the structure, the Callahan family having rooms on the second floor. The Callahan children, aged three years, and six months, respectively, were playing on the floor when the explosion occurred, and both were instantly killed. The building caught fire and two adjoining buildings burned.

MAY BE DARLING.

Bennington Man May Head Navy Department.

Washington, March 31.—Assistant Secretary of the Navy Charles H. Darling of Bennington, Vt., is the recipient of a handsome notice in the current number of the Army and Navy Register, urging his appointment as the successor of the Hon. William H. Moody of Massachusetts, the present secretary. Secretary Moody will retire at the close of the present administration of President Roosevelt and it is believed that Assistant Secretary Darling stands an excellent chance of being promoted to the head of the navy department. Mr. Darling has been an eminent success in his position. The secretary of the navy is frequently called away from Washington and in the absence of Mr. Moody the place has been filled by Assistant Secretary Darling with notable ability.

NEVER SAW STEAM CARS.

Yet Aged Cornish, N. H., Woman Lived Within Hearing of Them.

Cornish, N. H., March 30.—Mrs. Josephine M. Paget, aged 94 years, died at her home in this town yesterday. The funeral will be held tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

Mrs. Paget was born and had always lived in Cornish. Although she had resided within hearing of the trains on the Central Vermont railroad, she had never seen the steam cars. Her husband, John L. Paget, died several years ago. She had been cared for by her son, William, and her daughter, Eliza Paget.

Canary Bird and Bullfinch Millinery.

There has been a run on rare bird skins and plumage for ladies' hats this winter, says a writer in the London Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News. One young lady wore what, I suppose, is called a garden hat, judging by the greenery which bedecked its ample brim. Among this brilliant foliage I counted eight bullfinches. How a young and pretty girl could thus bedeck herself like an aboriginal savage passeth the imagination. There was a woman who recently spent £300 on a ball dress made from canary breasts, but she was French.

Museums of Security.

Museums of security exist in Amsterdam, Munich and Berlin for the exhibition of devices for the prevention of accident in the use of machinery.

They Freeze and Still Live.

Fish, flies and caterpillars, though frozen solid, retain life because their construction admits of frost expansion without disruption. A freezing temperature only results to them in torpor.

Philately.

The word "philately" is derived from two Greek words meaning a friend or lover of postmark as applied to stamped paper used for that purpose.

A Welcome to All.

The Sunday school of the First Baptist church extend an Easter welcome to little people, young people, old people, fathers, mothers, new scholars, visitors and strangers to the regular Sunday school services held at 12 o'clock, April 5. One and all welcome.

BODY OF H. E. RUSTEDI FOUND.

Discovered in the Missisquoi River. Yesterday Afternoon.

Richford, March 31.—The body of Henry Edward Rustedi, who was drowned in the Missisquoi river Sunday afternoon, was found this afternoon between 1 and 2 o'clock at the head of the island in this village, by Max Harness and Bert Bashaw. The body was taken to his home. An inquest search has kept up since the day of his drowning.

The funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon in the Baptist church at 1 o'clock, the time at which memorial services were to have been held.

KILLED WHILE DRUNK.

Man Crushed by an Electric Car Near Belows Falls.

Belows Falls, March 31.—Frank Silver, aged 33, of Cambridgeport, was struck by an electric car on the Belows Falls & Saxtons River electric road last night and fatally injured. He was lying beside the track intoxicated, one leg was broken and an arm crushed so that amputation was necessary. He was brought here and died this morning not rallying from the shock.

PRESENTS MEMORIAL WINDOWS.

Dr. O. W. Daley of White River Junction the Giver.

White River Junction, March 31.—Dr. O. W. Daley of this village has presented to St. Paul's church a very handsome and artistic stained glass window in memory of his wife, Miss E. Gates Daley. The window has been set in place and the ceremony of blessing it will take place at the Easter services next Sunday morning.

SEEKS DAMAGES FOR DEATH.

Rutland County Court Hearing Case Arising From Shelburne Wreck.

Rutland, April 1.—The jury in the county court case of Cahoe & Spence, vs. Richard Savery, returned a verdict for the plaintiff of \$1 and costs. Cahoe & Spence, lawyers, were suing to recover \$300 for a horse which died while in the possession of the defendant, the plaintiff claiming that the horse was misused.

QUARRYMEN ON STRIKE.

Seventy-five Go Out at Horricane Islands.

Horricane Islands, Me., April 1.—Seventy-five quarrymen here walked out this morning because Supt. White refused to consider the bill of prices and says he has no further use for men who join a union. The men are determined and feel that they will win out.

A \$10,000 DAMAGE SUIT.

Rutland Railroad Sued by Estate of Engineer Mahoney.

Rutland, March 31.—Suit was begun in Rutland county court this afternoon by John McTiernan, administrator of the estate of Engineer Dennis Mahoney, against the Rutland Railroad Co. for \$10,000 damages for the death of Mahoney, who was killed in the Shelburne wreck of January, 1903.

J. H. Engels Very Ill.

Rutland, March 31.—The physicians report practically no change tonight in the condition of J. Harry Engels, the widely known organist and musical conductor, who is suffering with pneumonia at the city hospital here. He has been delirious for three days and there seems to be little chance that he can recover.

The Chelmsford Situation.

Chelmsford, Mass., April 1.—The granite cutters and paving cutters of this place have signed the bill of prices with the contractors with the understanding that they are to cut stone quarried by non-union quarrymen.

VOTING TO DATE.

Coupons Pouring in in Large Numbers Today.

One day will see only a few coupons coming and the next will see an avalanche. While there were only a few yesterday, more than half the candidates make gains today. Class 3 shows the greatest gains. In class 3 James Lord of Orange takes the lead. In class 1 the standing remains about the same.

The vote today is as follows:

Class 1.		
W. H. Eager, Barre,	1871	
Geo. W. Gorman, Barre,	1359	
Thos. Mercer, Barre,	1003	
Robert Gordon, Barre,	934	
Mrs. Laura Westcott, Barre,	212	
Miss Flora Vincent, Barre,	128	
George Howe, Barre,	58	
Miss Maude E. Harris, Barre,	30	
G. H. Anker, Barre,	28	
Jas. R. McKenzie,	22	
Fred Krellinger,	16	
Chas. Stone, Jr., Barre,	11	
Wm. Kennedy,	10	
Dennis Dineen,	8	
B. W. Hooker, Barre,	7	
Walter J. Adams, Barre,	5	
O. K. Hollister,	5	
Kenneth Nicholson, Barre,	4	
Dellie Marlo,	3	
Henry Willis,	2	

Class 2.		
James Wark, Granville,	2840	
Mrs. M. L. Town, Barre town,	910	
A. L. Foster, Granville,	720	
Geo. A. Wales, So. Barre,	624	
G. H. Adams, So. Barre,	489	
Mrs. J. H. McArthur, E. Barre,	29	

Class 3.		
Jas. Lord, Orange,	306	
Earnest Sawyer, Washington,	78	
G. H. Light, W. Topsham,	59	
John Conolly, Randolph,	9	
John Skyles, Washington,	1	
Leon Lord, Orange,	1	
Flora Lord, Orange,	1	

Class 4.		
B. C. Alexander, Berlin,	38	
Charles Dudley, East Mtn.,	15	
Henry Westcott, Montpelier,	9	

A VICTIM
OF MANIACWell Known Webster,
Mass., Woman Killed.

RECEIVED SIX WOUNDS

Body of Mabel Page Was Found On
Floor of Her Home Yesterday
Afternoon.

Boston, April 1.—The body of Miss Mabel Page, daughter of John Page, a well-to-do citizen of Webster, was found yesterday afternoon on the floor of her home with six stab wounds, one penetrating the heart. At first it was supposed that the young woman had committed suicide and this report was given out. But an investigation by a medical examiner indicated that murder had been committed, and a search for the assassin is being made.

No motive for the crime is known. The police scout the robbery theory, as nothing was taken from the house and there are no signs of a struggle. It is thought that the woman was the victim of a maniac who stabbed her with a long sharp-bladed knife.

Miss Page was alone at the time of the assault. She lived with her father and brother, her mother having died two years ago. An autopsy on the body will be made today.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

Special Meeting to Be Held this Friday Evening, April 1st.

A special meeting of the Central Labor Union of Barre and vicinity will be held in Carpenters' hall, Nichols block, this Friday evening, April 1st, at 7.30 o'clock, to transact important business. It is hoped that every delegate will be present. D. A. Cook, Vice-President. C. C. RABDALL, Secretary.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

John Sullivan and William Bruce went to Boston today.

Dr. George H. Spiller, optician, will be at the City Hotel April 4 and 5.

Editor Harry C. Whitehill of the Waterbury Record, was in the city today.

A few gallons of extra heavy choice maple syrup for sale at the Granite City creamery.

Go and pick out your Easter tie at the Union Clothing Store. They have plenty of new ones.

Miss Castleman has moved from 97 Washington street to 6 Spaulding street. Work, the same.

There are nine trophy cups to be presented at the close of the city bowling league contest tonight.

J. W. Grady is prepared to take your order for an Easter suit at his tailoring rooms up stairs in the Quinlen block.

The Young Women's Tourist club will meet with Mrs. D. F. Davis for a business meeting, Monday afternoon at 3.30.

Bernard Craddock received a prize from the Reiger Perfume company for writing poetry in their competition prize contest.

Mrs. Daquia, who has been visiting at George Taquay's in this city, returned to her home in St. Johnsbury this afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Poole and son, Gordon, are expected to return tonight from their two weeks vacation spent in Brookline, Mass.

All those who are to take part in the K. of C. cake walk, to be given at the bazaar, are requested to meet in the K. of C. club rooms at 7 o'clock sharp tonight.

M. W. Chamberlain of Washington was in the city today trying to interest the merchants of Barre in securing an entry of the Orange County Telephone Co. with this city.

Edward, son of George Bergeron, who died at Heaton hospital Wednesday, aged two years and nine months, was buried this afternoon in the Catholic cemetery in this city.

Chief of Police Brown has assigned special officer Byron Phelps to regular duty, to succeed Patrolman Wood, resigned, until such time as a regular patrolman is appointed.

The sugar social held by the ladies of the Universalist church last evening was largely attended. The new sugar which was made by George Richardson was pronounced fine.

J. J. Flynn and A. O. Humphrey of Burlington and representatives of the Burlington, N. Y., construction company were in the city today, looking up plans for the proposed new gas plant.

Ellen Jane Kiley, a boarding house-keeper of Granville, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the office of Clerk of the United States Courts George E. Johnson yesterday. She has liabilities of \$55.12 and assets of \$246.25.

Christian Henderson, who was arrested by Patrolman Dyer yesterday afternoon on the charge of intoxication, was taken before Judge Fay today and fined \$5 and costs of \$8.75. In reporting his arrest in yesterday's Times the name was given as Christensen, which was incorrect. It should have read Henderson.

DELEGATES
ELECTEDMethodists Choose Rep-
resentatives

TO GENERAL CONFERENCE

Bishop Fowler Gave a Most Instructive
Address to Entering Class of
Young Men.

Montpelier, April 1.—Delegates to the general conference at Los Angeles, California, in May were elected by the Vermont Methodist conference this morning. They are Rea, F. W. Lewis and Dr. C. S. Nutter. The alternates are Rev. J. A. Dixon and Rev. G. W. Hunt. The lay delegates elected are Mrs. A. H. Webb of Bradford and Frank Plimley of Northfield.

The alternate lay delegates to the Los Angeles meeting are C. S. Andrews of Barre and A. O. Olmstead of Newbury.

At the meeting of the lay delegates, in the Bethany church this morning, the resolution to strike out section 248 regarding amusements and to substitute a warning against theatre, cards and bar-room was voted down. J. Wesley Miller presided over the resolution.

The watch service this morning was conducted by Rev. H. A. Hough and Joseph Hamilton. Arthur J. Hewitt was appointed to local elder's work and W. F. Hill, also J. L. Andrew in the St. Albans district. The following students were advanced to their second year's studies, A. J. Anderson, F. H. Baker, G. A. Scott, F. A. Wells, J. A. Martin and Jacob Finger.

Rev. H. F. Lowe reported for the board of deaconesses, stating that work had been done in Waterbury Centre, West Enosburg, So. Royalton, Barton Landing, St. Albans Bay, Island Pond and No. Danville. The report on what they had done and resolutions for the future work were given. More deaconesses are wanted. Three will be prepared to take up the work soon, among whom is Miss Elizabeth Hanson of Barre.

Bishop Fowler gave a most instructive address to the class of young men at 10 o'clock this morning, a large crowd being present.

The deaconess board for one year is, Rev. R. F. Lowe, Mrs. A. H. Webb, Lydia Gilman for two years, Mrs. J. A. Sherburne, W. E. Douglass, Dr. L. W. Hanson for three years, Rev. E. O. Thayer, Rev. L. O. Sherburne, Rev. J. Hamilton.

Bishop Fowler's Lecture.

Perhaps the crowning event of conference week occurred last evening when for two hours and twenty minutes Bishop Fowler held a great audience spell bound in Blanchard opera house as he delivered his famous lecture on "Great Deeds of Great Men."

Bishop Fowler has been advertised to lecture on Ulysses S. Grant but at the request of a large number of members of the conference the subject was changed. The speaker was pleasantly introduced by the Hon. Frank Plimley of Northfield.

Beginning with a discussion of the priceless value of great leaders the bishop demonstrated with many apt illustrations that greatness is of slow growth, a thing upon which no man ever stumbles. He went on to a eulogy of Oliver Cromwell, England's greatest ruler, rose to heights of eloquence as he told what the Pilgrim fathers did for us of a later generation.

Elizabeth General Grant as the greatest military genius of the world and closed with a peroration on Abraham Lincoln. The bishop's description of the part taken by Lord Nelson at Trafalgar and of Wellington and Napoleon at Waterloo was cheered to the echo as was his masterly description of Webster's reply to Haynes in the United States Senate. It was a pleasure throughout, the beauty of which would be marred by any abstract, however full and accurate such abstract might be.

The first session yesterday afternoon was in the nature of an anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society and opened at 2 o'clock. It was well attended.

Mrs. Mary P. Donaldson of Franklin, state conference secretary of the society, presided. Rev. U. E. Aiken of Cabot, presided at the organ and Rev. O. W. Ford of West Berkshire, was leader in the singing.

The opening exercises scriptures were read by Mrs. H. C. McDuffee of Bradford, secretary of the Montpelier district, and prayer was offered by Rev. J. M. Frost of St. Johnsbury.

Bishop Fowler was welcomed to the platform and made a few remarks about the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. He said there were a great many women who did nothing; he urged them to add as much as they could to the work. The work done on the whole throughout the state was encouraging.

He called attention to the fact that if each woman in the conference contributed two cents a week it would mean here a million dollars a year for the aid of the work.

The anniversary of the Epworth League was held at the close of the above session. C. S. Andrews of Barre, president of the state league, presided. Rev. J. A. Dixon of Hardwick made the principal address in which he spoke in glowing terms of the potentialities, achievements and proposed work of the league. In his opening remarks he spoke of what the society had done for the church and particularly along the line of singing which had been changed for the better. In regard to

what the society was doing, he referred to the social side, the entertainments and the literary work all had tended to build up the work. The evangelistic and devotional department had been invaluable. Mr. Dixon is a forceful speaker and he held the undivided attention of his hearers.

FOR INJURIES RECEIVED.

Montpelier Girl is Granted Damages of \$50.

Montpelier, April 1.—The case of W. J. Johnson against Robert Emery, minor, for injuries received by his daughter in a bicycle accident last May, went to the jury shortly before 11 o'clock yesterday. This case was followed by J. E. Bateman against F. G. Minkard, replevin of granite. J. W. Gordon appears for plaintiff and M. M. Gordon for defendant. On the jury were chosen, L. T. Barlett, Plainfield; W. K. Fisk, Barre town; Will Ford, Warren; Frank George, Worcester; J. C. Embury, Cabot; W. J. Plastridge, Northfield; David O. King, Montpelier; L. G. Robinson, Calais; C. N. Stewart, Berlin; Marcus Tucker, Montpelier; W. H. Vaughan, Middlesex; A. L. Williams, Northfield.

At two o'clock the jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff in W. P. Johnson against Robert Emery, Daniel Emery guardian, to recover \$50 damage and costs in the bicycle collision case.

Several divorce cases were heard by Judge Rowell and Judge Hathaway. Anna M. Elliott of Warren was granted a divorce from Edward Elliott for intolerable severity and \$2,300 alimony.

A divorce was granted Myrtle E. Parcher of Barre from John W. Parcher for refusal to support and desertion. Other cases heard were Gertrude E. Thomas of Waterbury against Arthur O. Thomas and Alfred E. Blake of Montpelier against Gertrude E. Blake.

Judge Stafford announced he would not be here after today, and it is expected Judge Rowell will sit until Judge Starr arrives next week.

The case of Elizabeth Rojan against Barre Montpelier Traction company, damages for injuries, was set for 2 o'clock Monday afternoon.

RAILROADS TO PROTEST.

Object to Licenses Being Granted to Places Between Tracks.

The Montpelier and Wells River railroad company and Central Vermont Railway company will protest to the license commissioners of Barre against the granting of licenses in that strip of territory between the tracks of the two railroad companies. Two applications have been made for licenses in this strip, one at Granite street and the other at Depot Square. One license already exists at Granite street. The companies will not appear at the hearing beyond filing their protests with the commissioners in writing.—Evening Argus.

THE DARLINGTON DISASTER.

Grand Jury Censures the City Building Department.

New York, March 31.—The grand jury today made a presentment on the Darlington disaster, censuring the city building department for the methods employed in permitting faulty construction of buildings and recommending the dismissal from the department of Inspector French, who had supervision of the Darlington structure. The presentment also recommends changes in the existing building laws.

AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

Grand Master S. A. Reed With the Odd Fellows.

The grand master, S. A. Reed of Windsor, made his official visit to the Odd Fellows lodge of this city last evening. The second degree was worked on one candidate and after the work an enjoyable bandade was served by the Robekaba, at which about 100 sat down. There were several visitors present from the East Barre lodge.

WANT FEWER LICENSES.

Salvation Army Petitions License Commissioners.

The Salvation Army through its officers has petitioned the Barre license commissioners to grant only half the number of licenses allowed by law, and also that they all be located on Main street.

Death of Mrs. Hammond.

Montpelier, March 31.—News was received in Montpelier today of the death this morning of Mrs. Lauretta L. Hammond, widow of Darwin S. Hammond, late of Wardboro, at the home of her daughter in Bradford. Mrs. Hammond was the mother of the wife of the Hon. John H. Watson, who was with her when she died. The burial will be in Bradford. Judge Watson and son, Hugh, went there this afternoon.

Who Will Claim Them?

The following letters appear on the advertised list for April 1, 1904:

Men—A. B. Bond, John Brison, Gonipoo Card, C. R. Davis, Ralph Davis, Duncan Fraser, Geo. Edwards, W. J. Glass, Gustine Hodgdon, J. H. Hughes, P. E. Hurten, Thos. Howard, Wm. G. Robnan, Alex. Jay, F. W. Kent, Leon Landry, W. W. Lane, T. McKillop, Charlie Reavey, Giannino Rengiori, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Richardson, Harry Storres, W. J. Tuome, Herbert Wallace.

Women—Laura Carpenter, Mary Dell, Rose Doyle, Mrs. Emma Farnham, Mrs. Maude Kimball, Mrs. D. Laroche, Mrs. Julia Martin, Mrs. Ramona, Nettie Shufelt, Mrs. A. Smith, Goldie Sumner, Mrs. E. E. Sanders, Mamie Stevens.

FIRE LOSS
WAS SMALLIn Richard Henderson's
House.

STARTED IN ASH BARREL

Fire Department Called to North End
Yesterday Afternoon For a
\$25 Fire.

The fire department was called out at 3.45 yesterday afternoon in response to an alarm from box 14 at the corner of North Main and Second streets for a fire in the cellar of a tenement house on Hawes street owned by Richard Henderson of Montpelier. The fire caught from an ash barrel placed beside a wooden partition which divided the cellar.

When the firemen arrived the smoke was so dense that they could not go down into the cellar, so a hole had to be cut through the floor over the flames and the contents of two chemical fire extinguishers practically smothered the fire around the ash barrel. But the fire had eaten through the partition and was burning in the other part of the cellar. A hose was finally gotten into the cellar from the back entrance, and the remaining flames were quickly put out. The damage to the building will not exceed \$25.

The up-stairs tenement of the house was occupied by an Italian family. A sick lady and a young child were in the house alone at the time the fire was discovered, and when the alarm was rung in and carried the lady out. The down stairs tenement was unoccupied.

F. H. ROGERS & CO. IN
OLD YET NEW QUARTERS

Store Enlarged and Stock of Clothing
Increased—A Progressive
Young Firm.

F. H. Rogers & Co., who were burned out in the Quinlen block in December, are back in the old store again doing business. While it is at the old stand, it is, however, practically a new store. In repairing the block the floor space of the store has been nearly doubled, new fixtures have been put in and the store is much better lighted having large plate glass windows at the front and five large windows at the rear, making one of the lightest stores in the city. In addition to the store is a special room for the tailoring department.

With the enlarged store the stock and variety of clothing and furnishings carried has been largely increased, giving a greater variety to select from. The progressive firm is ready to attend to all your wants in the clothing line and they will be pleased to have you make them a call.

A BIG PLANT.

Says Burlington, Director of New Harco Industry.

Messrs. John J. Flynn and A. O. Humphrey of this city have developed a scheme to erect the largest gas plant in Vermont in the city of Barre, says the Burlington News.

A company of which Mr. Flynn is president and Mr. Humphrey is vice president has been organized to further the project and as soon as the frost is out of the ground, between six and seven miles of gas pipe will be laid through the principal streets of the Granite city with an immense plant erected which will furnish almost an unlimited supply of power, light and heat.

It is thought that by early fall the plant will be in full operation and light, heat and power will be available for the whole city. The promoters claim that the power is particularly successful for the conduct of quarrying and it is thought it will revolutionize the present system employed.

ITS ANNUAL INSPECTION.

St. Aldemar Commandary Has Done Well.

The annual inspection of St. Aldemar Commandary No. 11, Knights Templar took place last evening in the Masonic hall which was well filled with members of the local commandary and many visitors from the Mt. Zion commandary of Montpelier. Commander William H. Kingsley of Middlebury was the inspecting officer. He spoke most highly of the work done by the local commandary during the past year, which has been exceeded but once since the commandary was organized here.

After the inspection a banquet was served in the banquet hall, which was followed by after dinner speeches by the grand commander and others present. The evening was a profitable and enjoyable one for those interested.

Saturday evening in full-weight one-pound boxes, packed specially for us by the Mulford Candy Co. of Boston. These goods are just what they are represented and we warrant every ounce of them to be made of the finest materials. Remember, no old stock, and you can't duplicate them for twice what we ask. Price is 20c per box Saturday only. Red Cross Pharmacy, 100 North Main street, Barre, Vt.